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In re application of: ) Group Art Unit:  
Christian Krogull )  
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For: DEVICE FOR REDUCING SLOSHING ) Examiner:  
OF FUEL IN A FUEL TANK )  
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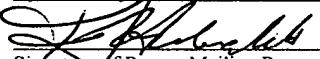
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to consideration on the merits, please amend the accompanying application, as follows:

**SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph 1 on page 1 of the specification as follows:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

This application is a division of Application Serial No. 10/161,466 filed May 31, 2002,  
(hereby incorporated herein by reference), which application is based on Germany Foreign  
Priority Application 101 28 308.3 filed 06/12/2001.